Mr. SPEAKER.—Order, order.

Sri C. J. MUCKANNAPPA.—May I know the principle followed in selecting persons for that post ?

Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA.—If the principle is one of competence, this gentleman is perfectly competent.

Sri K. MALLAPPA.—May I know whether the Cabinet took the decision or whether you personally did it ?

Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA.—Sir, Government appointed him.

Sri K. MALLAPPA.—Sir, have the Government called him and seen him before making the appointment ?

Sri B. VAIKUNTA BALIGA.—Sir, I refuse to entertain the ideas contained in the statement.

---

**Release of Prisoners on the Occasion of Centenary Celebrations of 1857.**

*Q.*—1956. Sri C. S. HULKOTI (Mundargi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether it is a fact that they are considering the release of prisoners on the occasion of Centenary Celebrations of 1857 ;

(*b*) if so, the basis and conditions for release of prisoners ?

*A.*—Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Deputy Minister for Home Affairs and Industries).—

(*a*) General Amnesty by way of releases and remissions have been given effect to on 15th August 1957 by means of a Government Order.

(*b*) These are detailed in Government Order No. HD 2 PGA 57, dated 5th August 1957, a copy of which is placed on the Table of the House. (Placed in the Legislature Library No. 4/L.A. 1958.)

Sri C. S. HULKOTI.—I have no supplementaries.

---

**Kannada Typewriter.**

*Q.*—328. Sri V. SRINIVAS SHETTY (Coondapoor).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether they have passed any final orders accepting a Kannada Typewriter ;

(*b*) whether any Expert Committee was constituted by them to go into the question ;

(*c*) (i) whether it is a fact that the said Expert Committee had condemned the said Typewriter and (ii) the then Minister for Education accepted the same against the opinion of the Expert Committee ;

(*d*) whether they would reconsider the whole matter and leave the matter of selecting the Typewriter to an Expert Committee opening the field to all competitors ?

*A.*—Sri V. VENKATAPPA (Minister for Education).—

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Yes.

(*c*) (*i*) The Committee was of the opinion that none of the keyboards placed before it was acceptable.

(*ii*) No.

(*d*) After careful consideration, Government have accepted the typewriter as evolved by Sri K. Ananthasubba Rao. The question of reconsideration of the matter does not therefore arise, now.

Sri V. SRINIVAS SHETTY.—Sir, will the Government be pleased to state how many models were submitted to Government ?

Sri V. VENKATAPPA.—Four or five.

Sri Y. SRINIVAS SHETTY.—Was the model of Sri Ananthasubba Rao one of those four or five ?

Sri V. VENKATAPPA.—Yes.

Sri V. SRINIVAS SHETTY.—It has been said in the answer that the Committee rejected all the five. What order or what place was allotted to the model submitted by Sri Ananthasubba Rao ?

Sri V. VENKATAPPA.—No order of merit was indicated. The special committee decided that it can be accepted.